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John Goldsmith, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, called to say that he understood the Director was going to call Chairman Stennis regarding a date for General Vang Pao to meet with Stennis and members of the Committee. I said this was contrary to my understanding and I would check with Ed Braswell, of the Committee staff, with whom I had discussed the matter. Talked with Ed Braswell regarding Vang Pao's visit with the Committee. Braswell said he would try to set it up for sometime Thursday afternoon, 8 June 1972, probably after 4:00 p.m.

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Met with Mr. Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and gave him the figures he had requested on the number of Lao irregulars and royal Lao government forces supported through MASF funds. See Journal of 1 June 1972.